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/EC/    **IN THE CLAIMS**

12/17/09    For the convenience of the Examiner, all pending claims of the present Application are shown below in numerical order whether or not an amendment has been made.

1.    **(Currently Amended)** A method for providing an extensible macro language comprising:

maintaining**, in a repository,** a predefined macro language comprising a plurality of keywords and a plurality of associated commands for execution;

using a parser to parse a macro language expression to identify a new keyword in the macro language expression that is not within the plurality of keywords in the predefined macro language;

~~retrieving~~ **using a macro handler comprising a macro processor to retrieve**, from a registry of keywords and associated executable codes, an executable code associated with the new keyword identified in the macro language expression, the executable code corresponding to a procedure **that is** not performed by the execution of the predefined macro language **alone**; and

using **the macro handler** ~~a macro processor~~ to execute the executable code retrieved from the registry to run the extended macro command associated with the new keyword in the macro language expression without recompiling the macro language, the executable code associated with the new keyword not included in the predefined macro language and resulting in the performance of a procedure **that is** not performed by execution of the predefined macro language alone.

2.    **(Previously Presented)** The method of Claim 1, further comprising:

extending the registry of keywords and associated executable codes by inserting a new keyword representing a new extended macro command and a new executable code associated with the new keyword.